## 1. What was / has been your occupation before entering politics?

I am still working part time as an office secretary at the All Saints location for the OCSB's International and Indigenous Language Program.

## 2. Do you live in the riding and, if so, how long has it been your home?

I've lived in the riding for 16 years of my life, born and raised in Ottawa.

## 3. What has been your main involvement with your community outside of work (volunteer activities, etc.)?

I have volunteered with Around the Campfire in caring kids with autism and started as a volunteer in the OCSB's International and Indigenous Language Program.

# 4. In your life what event, or book, or speech, or song or even TV show has made the biggest impression on you and your political thinking? Why?

"The Best Laid Plans" and its sequel "The High Road", both by Terry Fallis, demonstrated three important ideas with its satirical narrative telling. The first, that if you're in politics with principles, you're fighting the good fight against cynicism and disillusionment for a better country. Second, anything can happen in elections, especially odd things, you must be flexible, optimistic, and take nothing for granted. Finally, what politics and life needs more of is humour and joy to counter cynicism and to bring enjoyment.

# 5. What previous politician, (alive or dead, but not currently in parliament) is a role model for you? Thomas "Tommy" Clement Douglas played a significant inspirational role and stands as likely not only my role model, but many Canadians. The humility, humanity, and principle of an individual seeking to make lives better for Canadians, standing for the most vunerable of our society. His campaigns were of hope, positivity, and change, despite the deceit and lies by wealthy elites opposed to him. He held honourably in both his promises and principles, never swaying for what was politically convenient, instead implementing policies he promised and that were pragmatic. He was truly the greatest Canadian.

#### 6. What policy in your party's platform do you think matters most to the people in your riding?

A commitment to tax fairness by implementing a wealth tax and estate tax on the wealthiest Canadians, getting the CRA off the backs of average Canadians over minor infractions and instead going after wealthy corporations and individuals evading and dodging taxes, and having corporations pay their fair share in corporate taxes and removing their exceptions to the carbon tax. Through these revenue sources, we can tackle the cost of living and cut your expenses through social programs and investments in Canadians like Pharmacare, fighting the telecommunication oligopoly, and ending interests rates on student loans.

## 7. Recent polls suggest many Canadians are disillusioned with politics. If elected, what would you do to address those concerns?

Its time for new blood and new perspectives, that's why I'm running as one of the youngest candidates in this election, to bring change to the Canadian political culture and to challenge the status quo. In bringing an end to the disillusionment and cynicism by ending the cycle of deceit, hypocrisy, and negativity plaguing our political system. That means standing with honesty, humility, respect, evidence-based policy making, and principle when conducting politics as well as bringing forward an electoral system which truly reflects the democratic will of Canadians.